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SENATOR MARVEL: Take up as much of my time as you'd like.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Now, how come, in Program 71 under Motor Vehicle Drivers that we are transferring \$75,000 of that fund to the Highway Safety fund and what is the purpose?

SENATOR MARVEL: What page are you on now?

SENATOR F. LEWIS: That's Page..bottom of 11 and top of 12.

SENATOR MARVEL: The original request of the Department was to provide seed money in this area, and rather than put in General Fund money, the committee felt that this approach using cash funds was more favorable as far as the taxpayer is concerned, and it would solve the problem, as I understand, that the Department was interested in.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: May I go ahead now?

SENATOR MARVEL: Yes.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: In their request to the Appropriations Committee, what did they need the seed money for? What kind of program are we going to get next?

SENATOR MARVEL: Well, this, as I understand, the \$75,000 is seed money that is spent and then reimbursed so that the various subdivisions get the money back but rather than put up General Fund money for the reimbursement, it was felt that cash should be put up. That's the only purpose of that. According to federal regulations, you have to have seed money. The Department wanted General Fund money and we felt that they had enough cash that we could earmark \$75,000 of cash to solve the problem. They could be reimbursed for that by federal funds and there wouldn't be any General Fund money used.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: What kind of control do we have over this money as to what kind of funds they are seeking? They got us into enough trouble...

SENATOR MARVEL: In Highway Safety?

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Yes.

SENATOR MARVEL: Practically none.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: They can do as they please. Get the programs they please.

SENATOR MARVEL: Within their guidelines.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Fly a guy back here from Washington to tell us how we need them all. Mr. Chairman, I am going to make a motion, then, and I would like to save it for later but I am going to move to strike line 1 and 2, Page 12.

PRESIDENT: I don't understand. You are going to save it later but you made the motion...